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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the document is attached, together with a copy of an Office Action issued in the corresponding Japanese Patent application, and a copy of the front page of WO 00/49586 cited therein..

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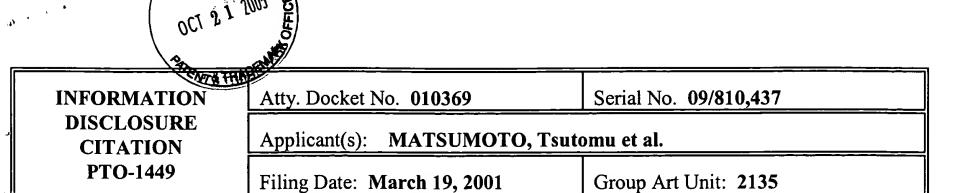
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